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Note from the Editor, HL Shari Gillies

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To the Court Secretaries – you can help by providing full information of your events.

Deadline for submissions for the next newsletter – May 4, 2019

Please keep HL Kerri Stutt Grant in your thoughts and prayers. She is currently in VGH in the Spinal Cord Centre. She had an infection near the spine which pressed on the nerves and at this time she is unable to walk. She welcomes visitors, especially in the evening. You can also check out her Facebook page.

In a nut shell
Dates of Note:



COURT MEETINGS

Sat, Apr 6, 2019 (Installation)	Sequoia Court
Sat, Apr 13, 2019 (Installation)	Cypress Court
Tue, Apr 16, 2019 (Installation)	Dogwood Court
Wed, Apr 24, 2019	Tulip Court
Fri, May 3, 2019	Mizpah Court
Sat, May 4, 2019	Sequoia Court
Sat, May 11, 2019	Cypress Court
Tue, May 21, 2019	Dogwood Court
Wed, May 22, 2019	Tulip Court



SPECIAL EVENTS

(Details, when available, can be found at the end of the newsletter)

SAVE / REMEMBER THE DATE

Sat, Jun 15, 2019 Mamma Mia Revisited – Theme Dinner



Grand Royal Matron, HL Kathy Stutt Grand Royal Patron, SK Don Stutt



Well it's called March Madness and with very good reason!! SK Don and I have been in a whirlwind since the beginning of the Month of March.

Grand Court went very well and HL Donna-Lee and SK John should be very proud of themselves for the commitment and poise they showed during their term of office.

We left for Oregon the Wednesday following our Grand Court, just enough time to empty our bags, do the laundry and re-pack. The trip consisted of every kind of weather, rain, sleet, snow, but fortunately none of it was accumulating and we arrived safe and sound at the Boulder Falls Inn in Lebanon.



Unfortunately I caught the dreaded Flu bug that was going through our ranks! I think just now I might finally be close to being well again. It wasn't the best March Madness for me.

After Oregon's Grand Court we stayed in Oregon with HL Joy and Bill Suchla, where we had a chance to put our feet up and relax before heading off to Yakima for Washington Grand Court. (still Sick)!!

SK Don and I attended the Daughters of the Nile Installation of Officers, Miriam Temple in Victoria. We were welcomed very warmly by the Daughters and I gave the reply to the toast to the visitors at the Banquet

Our March Madness was still in full swing---Off we went to the Jobies Informal Opening of Grand Sessions where I addressed the girls and then on Friday night I was very pleased to be a judge at the Miss BC Job's Daughters competition. The young ladies were very poised and extremely well spoken and either one of them would have been an asset to represent the Job's Daughters of BC.



Finally, last but not least, SK Don and I attended Fraser Valley DeMolay Installation at Joppa Hall in White Rock. This brought back many memories and we saw people that we hadn't seen in many years.

Thanks to the members who attended these events. I know your presence was very much appreciated both by SK Don and I and the jurisdictions and concordant bodies.

HL Kathy Stutt, GRM
SK Don Stutt, GRP

Junior Past GRM, HL Donna-Lee Junior Past GRP, SK John

Now that Grand Court is over, we hope you all had a good time visiting with longtime friends and making new friends. Even though the last month was extremely stressful we thoroughly enjoyed our time as Grand Royal Matron & Grand Royal Patron.

We did a presentation in White Rock for the Grand Master's Official Visit; from that we have at least one person reaching out to become a member of our beautiful order. We need to get our name out there.



The Hyack parade in New Westminster this year will be Saturday, May 25th immediately after the rededication of the Lodge Hall at 508 Agnes. They are expecting a huge number of the Brethren walking in the parade. I believe that if we also joined them in the parade, we would spread our name to the general public.

Remember if someone shows interest and one day doesn't work for them, suggest one of the other Courts. After all it's about membership in British Columbia, not just one Court.

Consider attending other Grand Courts; they are a lot of fun and we don't have to do any work.

Donna-Lee is looking forward to her retirement May 25th; perhaps I can put her to work assisting me in my new position of Grand Secretary.



Please look at our current directory and if there are any corrections needed please let me know. I am using the amaranth.bc@shaw.ca e-mail to keep it simple for all the other Grand Courts.

With Amaranth Love,
Donna-Lee & John McMurchie

Grand Associate Matron, HL Shari Gillies

March Madness is done for another year. HL Kathy and SK Don were especially busy this year and I know they are looking forward to a relaxing time in Britain with their daughter Erin. We wish them safe and happy travels.

I send many thank yous to HL Joy and Bill Suchla for their generosity and warm welcome for our stay with them. Always a pleasure to spend time with them. And there's always shopping to do, especially at those specialty fabric stores.



Easter is almost upon us!! The chocolate eggs I bought for the granddaughters are disappearing. Need to find a better hiding place from myself!! LOL! Guess I bought them too early.

We have been blessed with some wonderful spring weather and the usual rain to follow. Need to have enough rain for those spring flowers and sun to warm them.

A little advertisement here!!!...!!! **The Mamma Mia Theme** dinner will be here before you know it. (Saturday, June 15, at Maple Ridge Masonic Hall) I'm currently searching for the necessary fabric for an appropriate costume. It's certainly not a requirement to come in costume BUT it's lots of fun. Our GRM and GRP will be decked out ABBA style along with many others. We will have lots of Greek food and karaoke so bring your singing voice whether it's a good one or not. No judgement here!! It's a 'bring your own drink' evening with coffee, tea and water provided. See more details at the end of the newsletter.



I'm also looking forward to Supreme Session in St. Louis with HL June and SK Ron at the helm. We've booked our rooms and our flights, and our requests for meals and tours have been sent. Have you done the same!!!?? HL Dorothy and SK Gerry will be having a reception following on Thursday, July 4. You need to make those reservations too!! If you

haven't been to a Supreme Session consider attending. All those folks you've been meeting from other jurisdictions at our Grand Court will likely be there and many others.

Amaranth love to all,
HL Shari Gillies, GAM

HL Pat Haywood
Grand Musician

*Hush, can you hear it?
The rustling in the grass,
Bringing you the welcome news that
Winter's day is past.
Soft, can you feel it?
The warm caressing breeze,
Telling you the sticky buds
Are bursting on the trees.
Look, can you see them?
The primrose in the lane.
Now you must believe it -
Spring is here again*



Thank you, HL Pat!!

The Grand Court of BC

Order of the Amaranth
invites you to our theme event.

Mamma Mia Revisited

A Greek Themed Dinner Event

Saturday, June 15, 2019

6:00 pm Getting to know you

7:00 pm Dinner

**Maple Ridge Masonic Hall
22272 116 Ave, Maple Ridge**

\$35 per person

The food will be Greek; the attire will be ABBA or beach or whatever is comfortable.

Enjoy a buffet dinner of a variety of Greek dishes. Entertainment to be announced -- be prepared to join in!!



RSVP: by Friday, June 7, 2019

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And cash is always welcome!!!

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(as shown) with a full back.
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HL Donna-Lee

or

SK John

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